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AIR FREIGHT UP 0.3% IN FIRST HALF OF 1990, AND 2.6% IN JUNE

WASHINGTON, D.C., August 2, 1990--Air freight increased 0.3 percent in the first six months of 1990, compared to the same period last year, and was up 2.6 percent in June, the Air Transport Association reported today.

Domestic air freight rose 0.8 percent during the first six months. Mail increased 2.5 percent. Total domestic air cargo, including freight and mail, was up 1.1 percent.

International air freight of U.S. carriers during the first six months decreased 0.2 percent. Mail increased 2.3 percent, and total cargo remained flat.

For the month of June, domestic air freight had a gain of 2.6 percent. Mail was up 1.0 percent, and total domestic cargo increased 2.3 percent.

International freight in June was up 2.5 percent. Mail decreased 2.0 percent, and total international cargo rose 2.2 percent.

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PRELIMINARY CARGO TRAFFIC STATISTICS
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY (1)

REVENUE TON-MILES
(In Thousands)

		DOMESTIC OPERATIONS			INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS			TOTAL	TOTAL
		FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	FREIGHT	CARGO
JUNE	1990	421,352	104,615	525,967	454,014	36,839	490,853	875,366	1,016,820
JUNE	1989	410,793	103,550	514,343	442,729	37,572	480,301	853,522	994,644
PERCENT CHANGE		2.6	1.0	2.3	2.5	(2.0)	2.2	2.6	2.2
6 MONTHS	1990	2,380,917	666,850	3,047,767	2,495,298	223,537	2,718,835	4,876,215	5,766,602
6 MONTHS	1989	2,362,636	650,520	3,013,156	2,499,236	218,542	2,717,778	4,861,872	5,730,934
PERCENT CHANGE		0.8	2.5	1.1	(0.2)	2.3	0.0	0.3	0.6

1) Carriers included : Alaska, Aloha, American, Braniff, Continental, Delta, Eastern, Federal Express, Flying Tiger, Hawaiian, Northwest, Pan American, Southwest, Trans World, United, and USAir.

Note : USAir numbers include Piedmont, and Federal Express Numbers include Flying Tiger

PRELIMINARY CARGO TRAFFIC STATISTICS
SYSTEM OPERATIONS

REVENUE TON-MILES
(In Thousands)

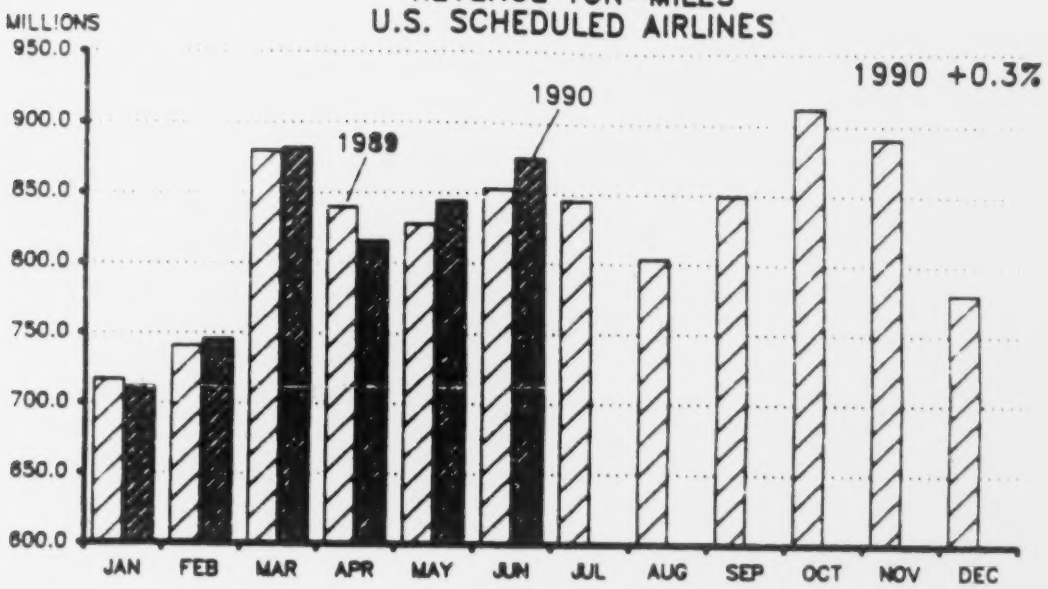
MONTH	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL CARGO
1989			
January	717,432	142,815	860,247
February	741,550	136,212	877,762
March	880,183	160,251	1,040,434
April	840,723	147,713	988,436
May	828,462	140,949	969,411
June	853,522	141,122	994,644
July	845,746	131,442	977,188
August	803,904	146,900	950,804
September	849,871	138,905	988,776
October	912,521	147,344	1,059,865
November	891,341	155,788	1,047,129
December	780,114	239,787	1,019,901
TOTAL 1989	9,945,369	1,829,228	11,774,597
Jan - June 1989	4,861,872	869,062	5,730,934
1990			
January	712,032	150,784	862,816
February	745,781	139,790	885,571
March	882,004	161,038	1,043,042
April	816,196	147,861	964,057
May	844,836	149,460	994,296
June	875,366	141,454	1,016,820
TOTAL 1990	4,876,215	890,387	5,766,602

PERCENT CHANGE

	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL CARGO
1990/1989			
June	2.6	0.2	2.2
Jan - June	0.3	2.5	0.6

FREIGHT

REVENUE TON-MILES
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINES



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REVENUE TON-MILES
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINES